

NEXT STEPS: We stand united against DACA

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Council District 13 Mitch O'Farrell

Friends:

As an elected official, I represent all constituents and families who live in the 13th Council District regardless of immigration status. My team and I work hard to improve our neighborhoods, create more opportunities for all residents, and make Los Angeles safer and more livable for everyone.

Unfortunately, Donald J. Trump is actively working against these efforts. This week, he rescinded the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, better known as DACA. The policy protects undocumented immigrant youth from deportation who came to the United States when they were children. The program also enables these "Dreamers" to work.

While Congress sorts out what the DACA announcement means for us in Los Angeles, I want you to know that I will do everything in my power to ensure your safety. My office partners with several nonprofits in the 13th District to offer free legal services on immigration issues.

Armenian Relief Society

818-241-7533

CARECEN

213-385-7800

Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights (CHIRLA)

213-353-1333

El Centro del Pueblo

213-483-6335

Immigrants Charitable Foundation

213-325-5056

Salvadoran American Leadership and Educational Fund (SALEF)

213-480-1052

United Farm Workers Foundation

213-381-5681

Please call or visit my Echo Park District Office (1722 Sunset Blvd) if you have any questions, or if you need to be connected to our partners in the community. We will not allow families to be torn apart by Trump's mean-spirited agenda, and I stand united with all Americans, documented or otherwise, in pursuit of their American dream.

Kind regards,
MITCH O'FARRELL

COMING UP: FREE MOVIE IN THE PARK

ECHO PARK -- Please join us for a FREE movie under the stars! We'll feature a screening of the film Victor/Victoria, starring Julie Andrews! Bring a blanket, a chair, and a picnic dinner. This event is sponsored by: Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell, City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, Echo Park Improvement Association, Echo Park Historical Society, Echo Park Chamber of Commerce, and FilmL.A.

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HEADLINES

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LGBT PROFESSIONAL CLOTHING DRIVE

LOS ANGELES -- Councilmembers Mitch O'Farrell and Mike Bonin are teaming up with City Controller Ron Galperin and the Los Angeles LGBT Center to host a professional clothing drive, benefitting the Center's homeless youth clients. Please bring gently-worn men's and women's business attire to the Echo Park District Office, 1722 Sunset Boulevard, during normal business hours.

PHOTO (L-R): Ron Galperin, Mike Bonin, O'Farrell, Andre Vargas, Simon Costello.

TEAM MITCH MAKING A DIFFERENCE

EAST HOLLYWOOD -- The CD13 Clean Team picked up bulky items from the area around Willow Brook Avenue, just one of the many items on the to-do list for the crew during this past week. See an area that needs attention? Contact Sylvan De La Cruz in the Echo Park District Office at 213-207-3015.

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HOLLYWOOD POOL EXTENDS SEASON

HOLLYWOOD -- Angelenos who enjoy recreation at the Hollywood Pool will be pleased to hear the City is extending the season through the month of September, Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell and the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) recently announced. O'Farrell secured funding for an extension of the Hollywood Pool hours, on weekends from 1-5 p.m., through October 1. The pool season was originally scheduled to close for the year after Labor Day weekend. Recreational swimming hours after Labor Day will be from 1 to 5 p.m. on weekends. The general admission cost is \$3.50 for adults ages 18-64, \$1 for children under 17 and seniors 65 and older. For information, call the pool office at (323) 460-7030, or visit www.laparks.org.

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COMMERCIAL CANNABIS ORDINANCE

CITY HALL -- The Department of City Planning is seeking public input on the Commercial Cannabis Location Restriction Ordinance. The amendment would establish location and distancing requirements for commercial cannabis activity within the City. This ordinance was drafted in response to recent changes in State law, as well as to Proposition M, an initiative approved by Los Angeles voters in March 2017. Starting in 2018, the State of California is anticipated to begin issuing licenses for businesses who produce and sell medical and nonmedical (sometimes referred to as "recreational") cannabis. Proposition M requires the City Council to repeal the City's existing restrictions on medical cannabis businesses and develop a comprehensive regulatory process and structure for all cannabis-related commercial activity.

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK

SILVER LAKE - Water-dropping helicopters utilize the resources at the reservoir to battle the La Tuna fire.

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